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On April 2, 1976 at 10:15 sta, Mr. R. F. Heishman and Mr. S. A. Folsom met at Region I with Mr. Lawrence Fox and Ms. Christine McAndrew, representing the firm of Drinker, Biddle and Reath, Attorneys (PNB 4g Philadelphia), to discuss a possible GPU/Met Ed legal action against their Three Mile Island 1 engineer/constructors.

Drinker, Biddle and Reath had been retained by GPU/Met Ed to pursue the possibility of recovering construction charges from - either Gilbert Associates or United Engineers and Constructors, occasioned by the repair work on the TMI-1 containment ring grder, which resulted from an apparent breakdown in quality control.

hr. Fox had initially called Region I concerning this matter and had been referred by Mr. R. C. Haynes to IE:HQ. Mr. Fox has since discussed this matter with B. H. Grier and J. B. Henderson; in addition to OELD's J. P. Murray, Jr., and W. J. Olmstead.

Mr. Fox stated that he had visited the Three Mile Island site in connection with his investigation, and had discussed the matter with some of the persons who had been involved in the occurrence.

Mr. Fox had brought with him several IE inspection reports, apparently selecting those in which the ring girder problem was mentioned, and in which S. A. Folsom was involved.

Mr. Heishman explained the IE program relating to this type of inspection, including Region I involvement, documentation and system of categorizing findings, both currently and during previous versions.

Mr. Fox asked a number of questions, the thrust of which appeared to center on:

- . Existence of related documentation (other than inspection reports).
- . Organizational responsibility for the occurrence.
- . Existence of a general pattern of concrete troubles at TMI-1.
- . Implementation of QC procedures.
- . General assessment of constructor's quality performance.

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Original photos were shown to Mr. Fox which were not legible on copies of reports in the PDR.

Mr. Heishman and Mr. Folsom responded to his questions within the framework of IE policy.

Mr. Fox implied that, in the event of a court action, one or more of the inspectors involved might be called as witnesses.

Mr. Fox stated that his firm had been engaged to construct the case and would not serve in any adversary procedure.

Mr. Fox stated that he planned to interview some of the persons who had been directly involved in the occurrence, and who were no longer at the TMI site.

The meeting was cordial and professional and all parties appeared satisfied with the results.

R. F. Heishman

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